

makhowa, Tinsukhia, Khonsa, Digboi, Narangi, Silchar, Bomdilla, Agartala, Kailashhehr, Mukokuchung, Chandel, Ukhrool, Saiha, Lungleb, Sibasagar, Mon, Wokha, Churachandpur, Tuyensang, Badarpur, Karimganj, Znebphoto, Jowai, Senapati, Phek, Duliajan, Nongstoin, Jorhat, Golaghat, Thoubal, Bishanpur, Dhemaji, Dibrugarh.

Tamil Nadu	Kodiaknal, Ooty, Coonor.
Kerala	Iduki, Munar, Peermedu, Nedungan.
Karnataka	Nandi Hill, Marcara, Shimoga, Chikmanglur.
Andhra Pradesh	Tirumala.

Doordarshan and Akashvani Kendras in Rajasthan

*271. PROF. RASASINGH RAWAT:
SHRI GUMAN MAL LODHA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND

BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the locations of new Doordarshan and Akashvani Kendras set up in Rajasthan during the last six months along with capacity of each of such kendras;

(b) the percentage area of the State presently covered by Doordarshan and Akashvani Kendras;

(c) whether the Government have received any representations for increasing the capacity of various Kendras;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to increase their capacity in near future; and

(e) the locations of new Akashvani and Doordarshan Kendras proposed to be set up in Rajasthan during 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS):

(a) to (e). Whereas a low power (100 W) TV Transmitter was commissioned at Nathdwara in Rajasthan during the last six months, four new Radio Stations as per details given below were commissioned in Rajasthan during the same period.

(i)	Nagaur	2 x 3 KW FM Transmitter and multi-purpose studio
(ii)	Banswara	2 x 3 KW FM Transmitter and multi-purpose studio
(iii)	Chittorgarh	3 KW FM Transmitter
(iv)	Barmer	20 KW MW Transmitter, multi-Purpose studio

About 30.8% area of Rajasthan is at present, covered by TV service (inclusive of fringe areas where elevated antennae and boosters are required for obtaining reception). As regards radio service, 90% of the

area of Rajasthan is covered by the existing radio stations.

Representations have been received from time to time for increasing the capacity

of various TV transmitting stations in Rajasthan. High power TV transmitters are presently under implementation at Bundi, Jaisalmer & Barmer in replacement of the present low power transmitters there. The high power transmitter at Bundi is expected to be commissioned during 1992-93. The remaining transmitters would be commissioned subsequently. The existing low power transmitters at Jodhpur, Udaipur, Ajmer and Anupgarh are envisaged to be replaced by high power transmitters, subject to availability of resources. As regards Radio service, representation has been received for increasing the capacity of the AIR station at Kota. As per the International Telecommunication Union agreement, the maximum power assigned for AIR, Kota is 1 KW on medium wave and as such, there is no scope for increasing the power of this transmitter. However, the existing 10 KW MW Transmitter at Bikaner is being upgraded to 20 KW.

During the year 1992-93, five new Radio Stations, one each at Churu, Jhalawar, Sawai Madhopur, Jaisalmer and Mount Abu are envisaged to be commissioned in the State of Rajasthan. As regards TV service, besides establishment of a high power TV transmitter at Bundi in replacement of the existing low power TV transmitter there, new TV transmitting stations are envisaged to be set up at Gangapur, Sreedungargarh and Sujangarh in Rajasthan during 1992-93.

[English]

Air links to New Areas

***272. DR. P.R. GANGWAR:
SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:**

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places which are air-linked, State-wise;

(b) the names of places which are proposed to be airlinked during the next five years;

(c) whether any scheme to airlink various districts of the States in future is under consideration of the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAOS CIN-DIA): (a) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

(b) to (e). Indian Airlines and Vayudoot have at present no plans to introduce air services to any new station in India. Airlinking of new stations will, however, depend on traffic potential, availability of airport infrastructural facilities and operating aircraft capacity.